

ELECTION MESS A CIA COVERT OPERATION?

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Old-timers with covert operations expertise felt in their gut that something about the year 2000 presidential election blitz was part of an intelligence agency covert scheme. In spy parlance, they suspected the American people are victims of "black ops". Invoking "national security", the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency ordered the major press and wire services to play down if not entirely omit any possible CIA complicity mentioned in an Associated Press story later "spiked". Here are portions of the apparently censored story

"Thursday December 7 415 AM ET Florida Official Admits Helping GOP By VICKIE CHACHERE, Associated Press Writer TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP)- One attorney charged there was a 'sinister' conspiracy to aide George W. Bush. A former CIA agent said he was trying to help GOP voters. A county election official said she let Republican operatives correct absentee ballot applications." And later in the story

As to the Martin County case, AP said "Charles Kane, who testified he worked for the FBI and retired from the CIA in 1975, said nothing secretive and sinister occurred. 'We had an obligation to them', he said of Republicans who had received the inaccurate ballot document.'We had filled out their forms. We did not see this as altering. All we saw this as was correcting a problem caused by the Republican Party of Florida'" A later AP version omitted these matters.

Even in the apparently suppressed story, Associated Press left out plenty. Retired CIA and other agency covert operations agents contend the Charles Kane who testified in the Martin County, Florida case is the same Charles Kane they have known for many years. They describe Charles Kane as being reportedly as follows :

===When he was younger, Charles Kane reportedly looked almost exactly like Lee Harvey Oswald, the CIA "patsy" blamed by the fraudulent Warren Commission as the "lone assassin" in 1963 of President John F. Kennedy. Several assassination researchers in their magazine articles and books have described how Oswald was framed up with situations involving Oswald "look-alikes". The book suppressed in the U.S., "Farewell America", has an extensive detailing of this.

===Charles Kane was reportedly part of CIA's super-secret bloody dirty tricks project called "Operation 40".

===Charles Kane reportedly played a role in CIA's aborted invasion in 1961 of Cuba at the "Bay of Pigs".

===Charles Kane was active in Chicago with CIA-mafia gangsters including Sam "Momo" Giancana, murdered with an OSS special type assassin gun in 1975, the same year the current Charles Kane testified he retired from the American CIA. Kane was also reportedly active with Johnny Roselli, a CIA-mafia operative murdered shortly after Giancana. [Some details are in "Double Cross" the book by Giancana relatives.] Kane reportedly helped Chicago area gangsters, including Giancana, plant the fraudulent

8,000 ballots in Chicago that enabled John F. Kennedy to carry Illinois and its Electoral College vote in 1960. Nixon was left out as a result. Nixon later played a key role at CIA's "Bay of Pigs" fiasco, blamed onto the newly-inaugurated President Kennedy.

===Charles Kane for many years reportedly was part of "Executive Action" activities of the FBI and CIA,originally domestic and overseas coups and political assassinations but in more recent years dirty tricks short of actual political murders.

Has the CIA complicity in orchestrating the Florida presidential election scandal, as well as other events in the U.S., started to unravel? Has an apparent split in American CIA surfaced by way of the testimony of Charles Kane? Why then was he a witness in the Martin County case?

Equally puzzling is the reprinting in softcover, just prior to the year 2000 Presidential Election,of the book "1876" by Gore Vidal. [He is a distant relative of Albert Gore, Jr. Fancy people use their grandmother's last name as their first name.] Originally published in 1976, by Random House, Inc., the last 80 pages or so of the book give the details of the Samuel Tilden-Rutherford B. Hayes election struggle of 1876, a extremely close election where one candidate got a plurality of the national popular vote and the other got the majority Electoral College vote. Strange, but it centered, in part around FLORIDA and massive corruption of public officials as to the election.

Conspiracy theorists assert that the year 2000 election seems to use the book "1876" as a nearly exact blueprint, for how the nation can be divided up. Tilden, according to Gore Vidal's book, never conceded but lived out his life contending he had been the elected President. Tilden sought at the site of the Presidential inauguration to be sworn in as the elected President but was blocked by armed troops. As re-created in Vidal's book, the country almost boiled over into a second American Civil War.

Little-known to the public,all the major Establishment news networks and newswire services about to run stories about the American CIA, have to get prior clearance from the spy agency. In the U.S., there is a non-statutory version of Britain's Official Secrets Act requiring articles to be circulated effecting "national security" to be first submitted to be approved. In a like fashion in the U.S., such articles have to be submitted in advance to the CIA Censorship Board or a similar almost unknown agency or commission.

British press outlets and newswire services that run afoul of the law are subject to having their equipment, presses, radio and television transmitting instruments, buildings, and vehicles seized by the London government. On the other hand, American outlets, under presidential edict rather than law-by-Congress, if accused of about to violate "national security", are subject to having their satellite links blocked by the super-secret satellite operations agency, the National Reconnaissance Office, NRO; websites shut down; and their wire service connections, domestic and overseas, terminated. The U.S. Secret Service reserves the arbitrary power to themselves to keep "un-co-operative" journalists from attending important press conferences, by denying them mandatory press credentials and security clearances, thus making such journalists unemployable.

The American CIA and their "privitized" adjuncts, such as reportedly Wackenhut, have long engaged in overthrowing foreign governments, assassinating popular U.S. leaders and officials, caused fake foreign and domestic "emergencies" and coups. WHY is it hard then to believe they would not also orchestrate, on a vast scale, the overthrowing of the American Central Government, to favor, for example, the British itching to return us to a puppet colony status? Some contend we may see the American Constitution overthrown by such means and the nation run by Martial Law as a way of dealing with an expected U.S. financial debacle.

Stay tuned.